

Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council

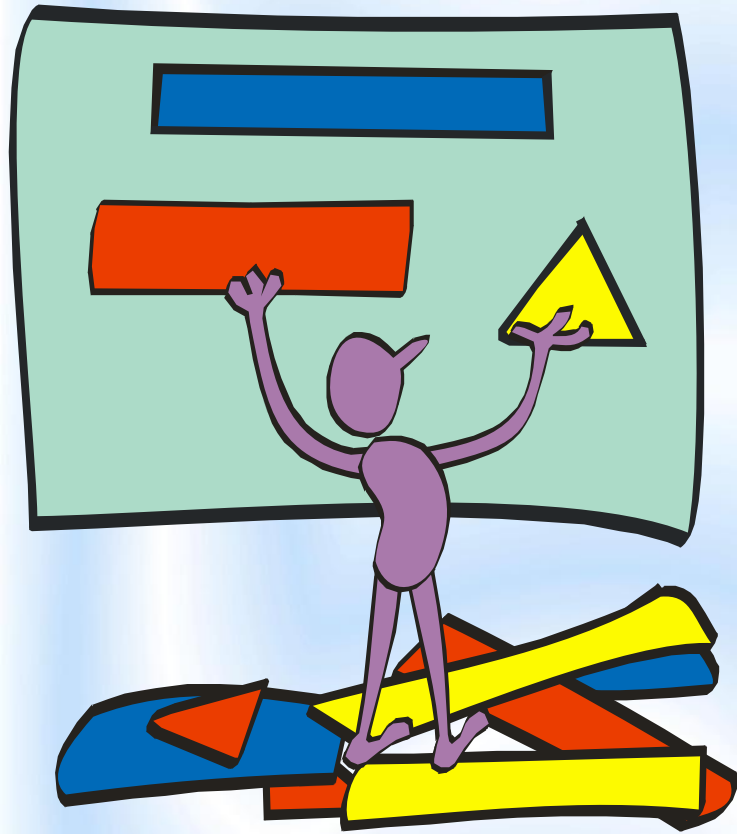


Pre-Application Conference



Responding to a DD Council Request for
Proposals (RFP)/Notice of Funds Available (NOFA)

This conference will help you understand:



- What you should know about the DD Council before you apply for one of our grants,
- How you can get more information about the Council's current funding opportunities,
- How to apply for a Council grant, and
- What the Council wants from its current RFPs.

We will look at:



- What is the DD Council?
- What are its values?



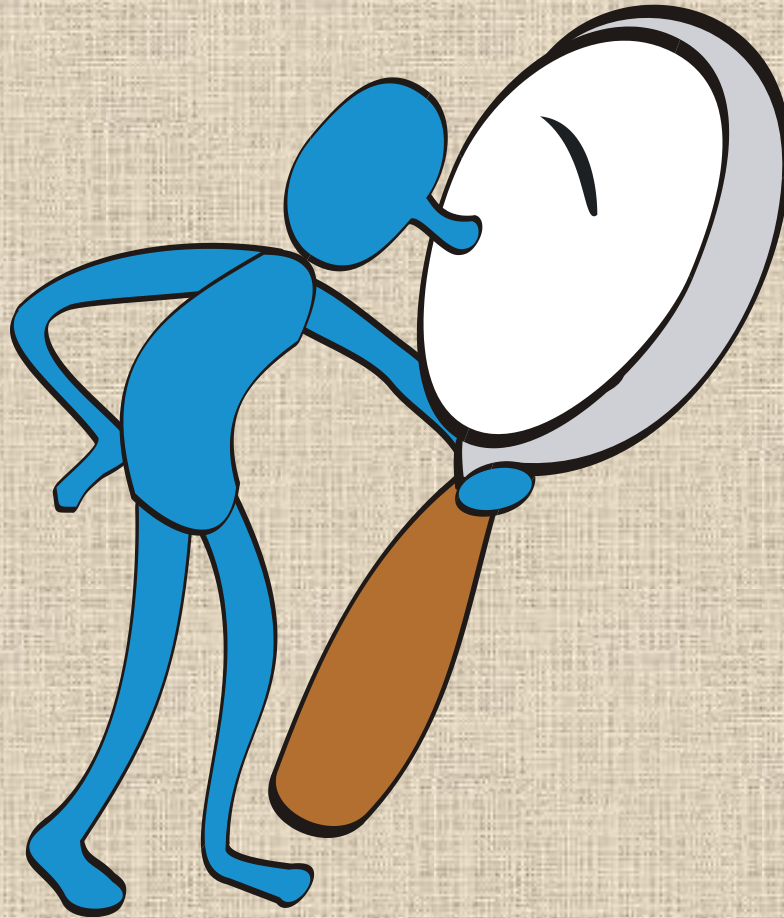
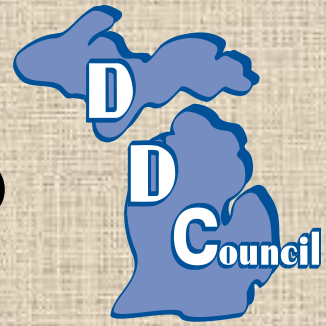
- What does the Council do?
- What are developmental disabilities?
- What is new about the 2017 DD State Plan?
- How does the Council's grant process work?
- How are award decisions made?
- How can you apply for a grant?

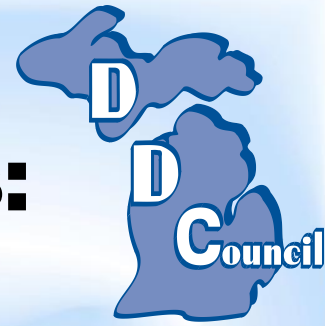
Finally,

We will abandon PowerPoint and learn more about the funding opportunities currently available from the DD Council.



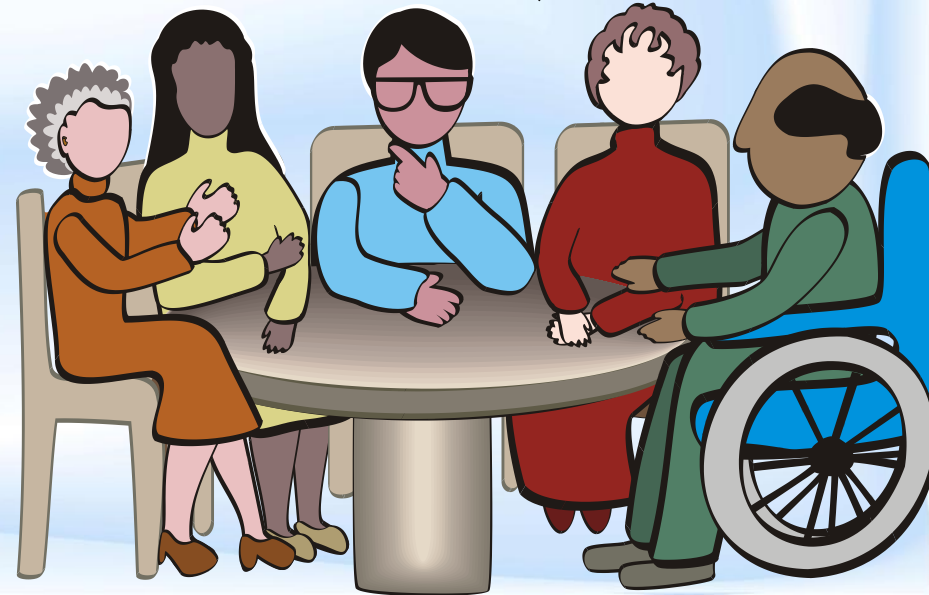
What is the Council?



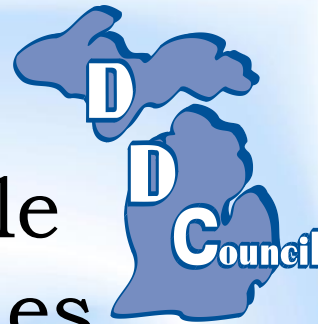


The Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council (DD Council) is:

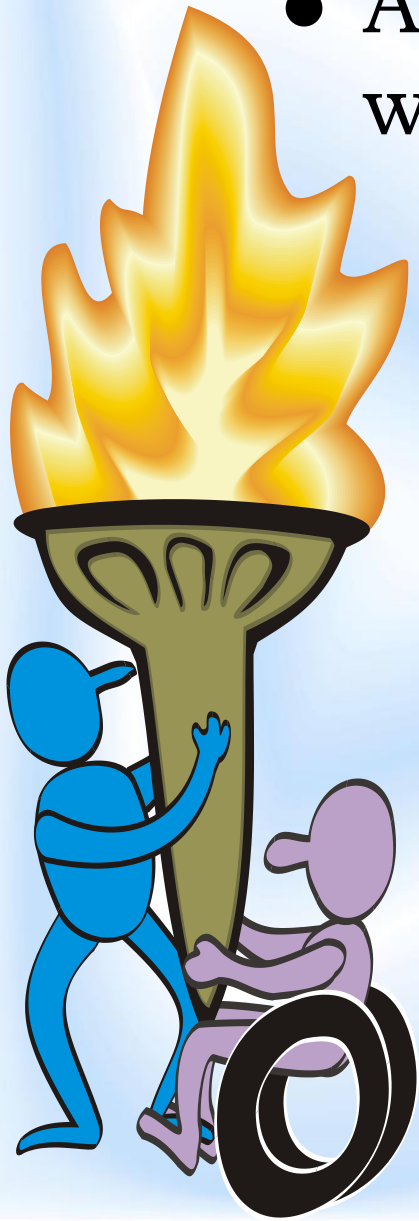
- A group of 21 Michigan citizens,
- Appointed to the Council by the governor.
- They come from across the state and are:
 - People with disabilities;
 - Family members, mentors, guardians and advocates of people with disabilities; and
 - Professionals from state and local agencies who support people with DD.



The DD Council is:



- A systems advocate for people with developmental disabilities,
- Working to improve the laws, policies, organizations and practices that affect the lives of people with disabilities.
- Established by the federal *Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000*, and Michigan Executive Order 2006-12.





The Council's Mission is to:

Support people with developmental disabilities to achieve life dreams.

Its Vision is that . . .

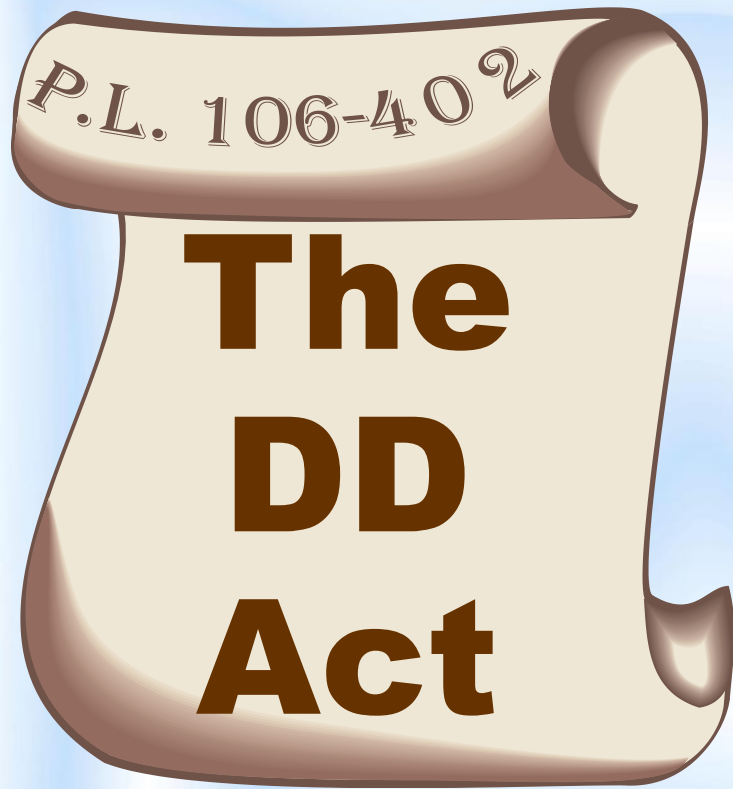
All citizens of Michigan have the opportunities and supports to achieve their life hopes and choices.

And its Overarching Principle is that:

People with disabilities are supported across their lifespan to live self-determined and self-directed lives in a diverse and inclusive community.

What Are Developmental Disabilities?

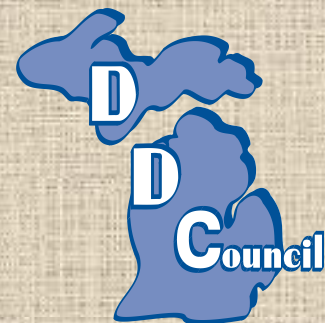




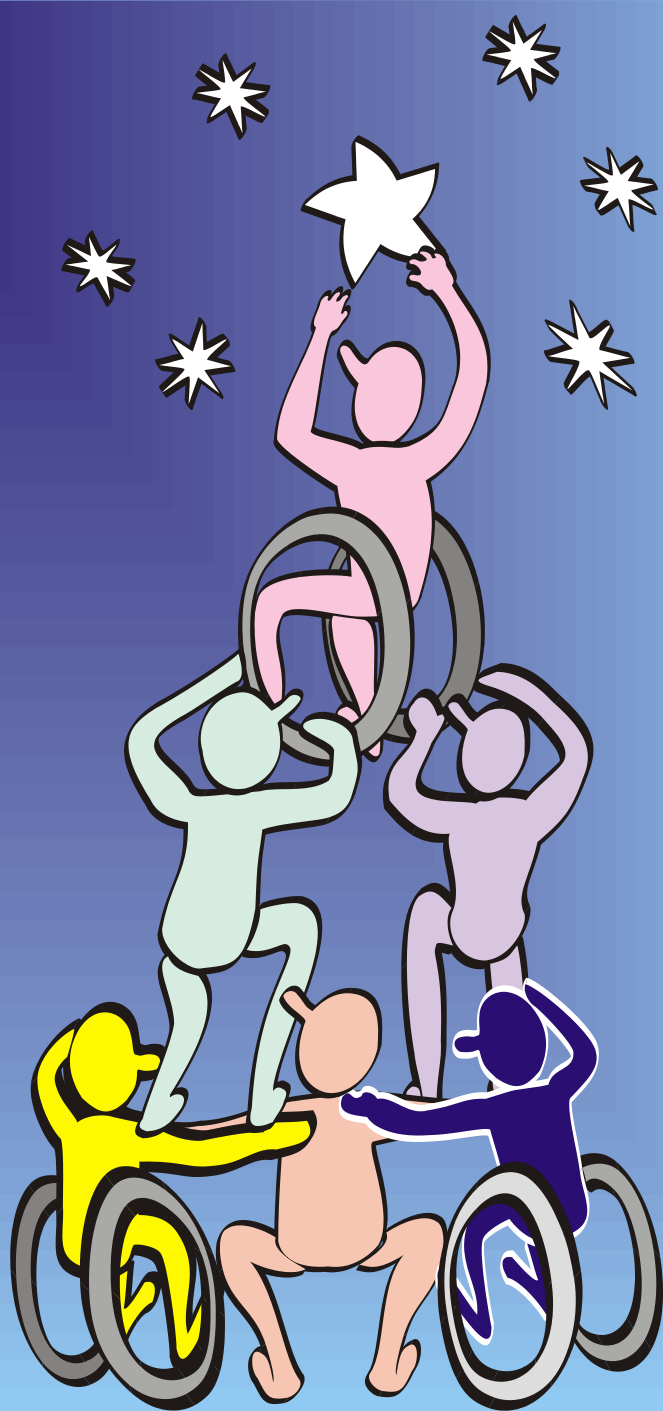
Defines a developmental disability as:



- Severe and chronic;
 - Related to mental and/or physical impairment;
 - Appearing before the age of twenty-two;
 - Likely to continue long-term;
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- Causing serious limitation in 3 or more life areas;
 - Showing a need for special, unique services.
 - Including infants & young children who are likely to develop DD.

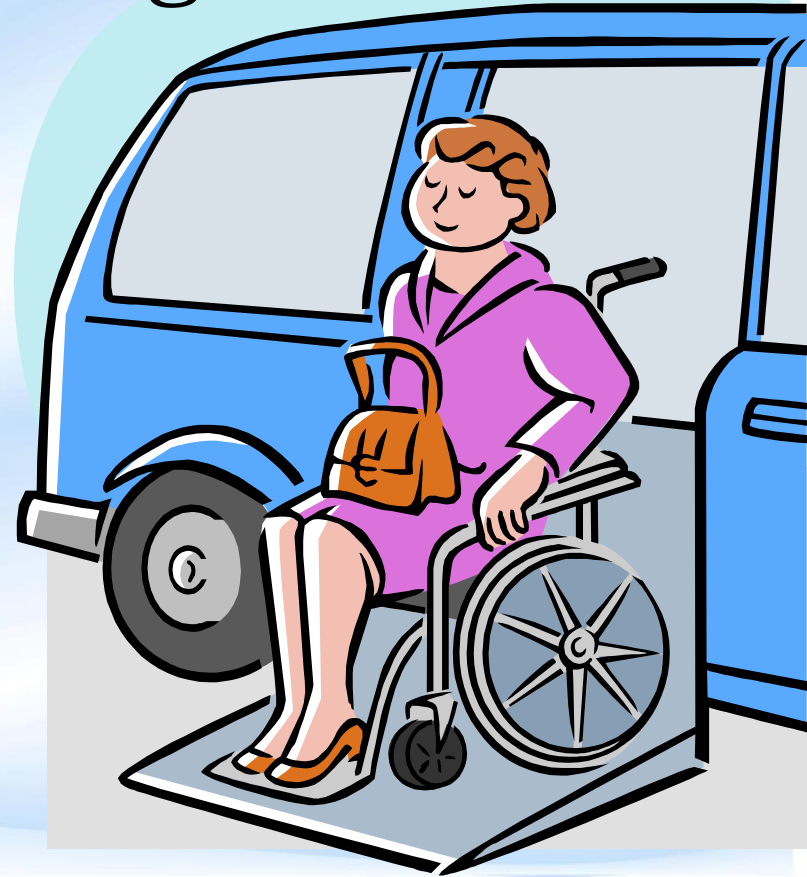


The Council's core values are:



- **Including People with High and Complex Support Needs in all Activities.**

This requires an ongoing commitment to continuing to learn to provide better supports and accommodations for them.



- **Self-direction and Self-determination.**



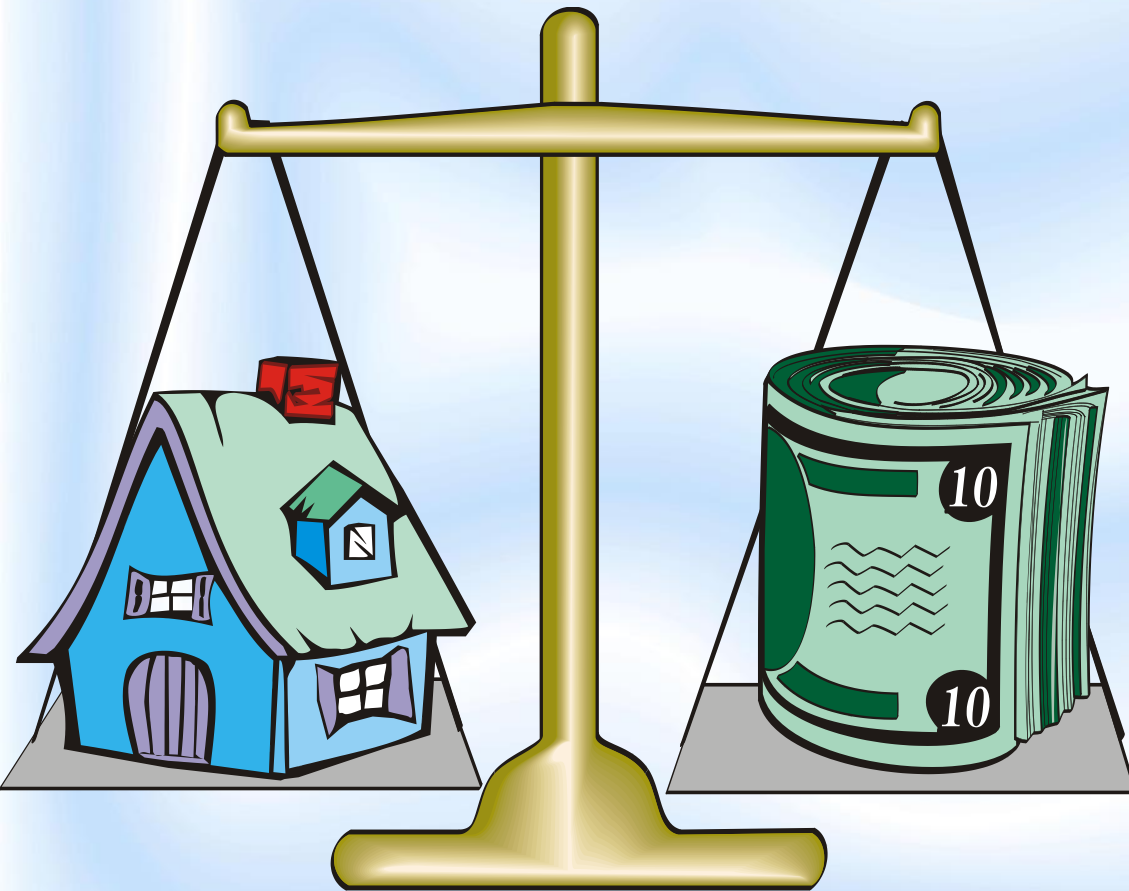
... living the lives they choose, where they prefer, with the people they want, and getting services the way they choose.

- **Consumers' voice at the policy table.**



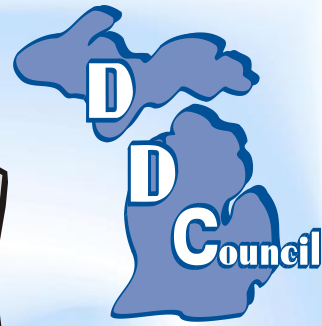
This also requires ongoing commitment to improving supports and accommodations to allow full access to the policy table, especially for those with high and complex needs.

- **Economic Justice and Addressing Poverty**



This important perspective on the issues of people with developmental disabilities opens opportunities for building partnerships with other poverty advocacy groups.

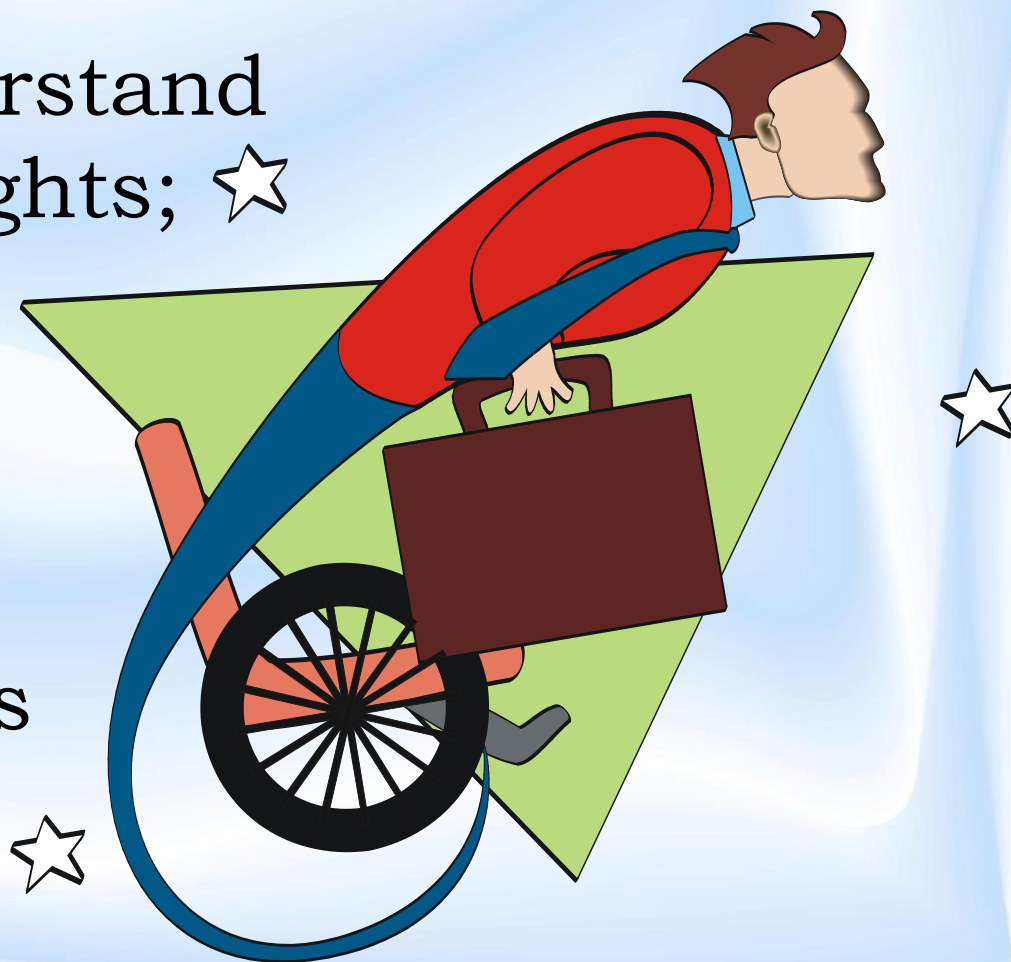
- **Community Inclusion.**



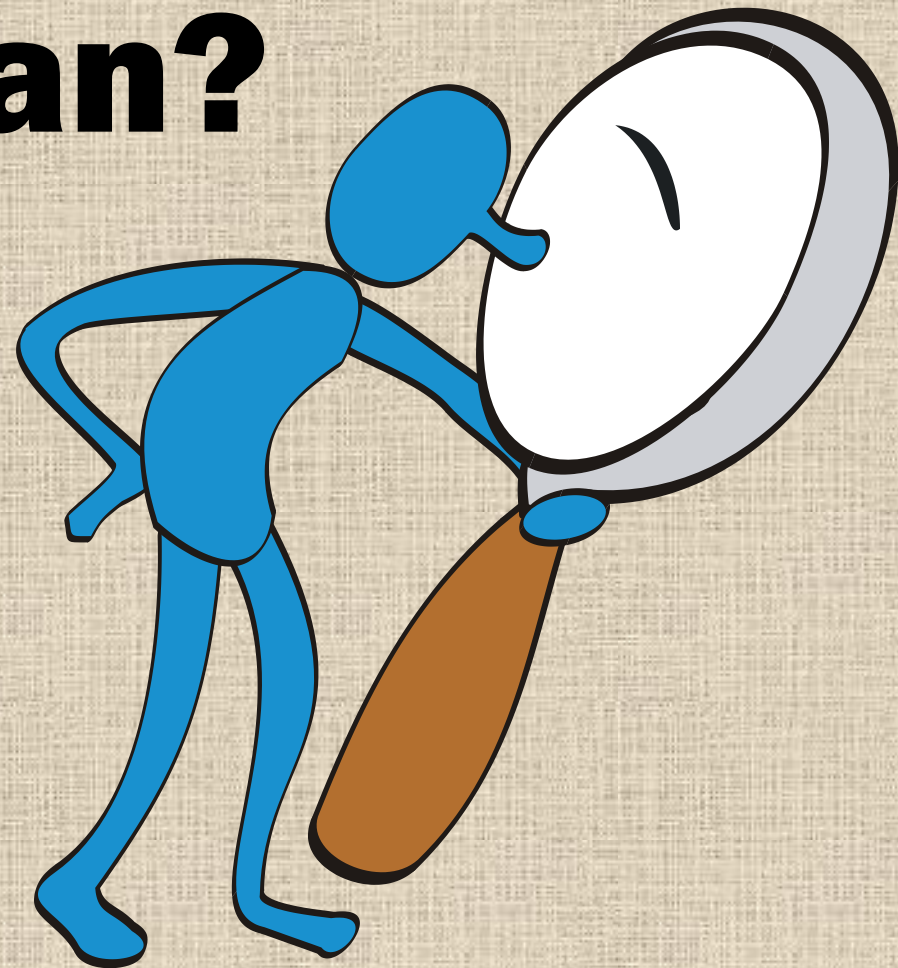
... including inclusion in social and civic life, in the world of work, in access to community residential settings, and in access to community programs and services.

- **And The Rights of People with Developmental Disabilities.**

Helping people understand and exercise their rights; ★
advocating for full enforcement, compliance, and accountability when anyone ignores, loses track of, or violates them. ★



What's New About the 2017 DD State Plan?



The core of the 2017 Plan



- What's new: Supporting an autonomous Self-Advocacy Network across Michigan



Through the provision of:



- Funding.
- Consultation.
- Training.
- Research.
- Technical Assistance.



The core of the 2017 Plan



- What's new: EMPLOYMENT

Expanding Employment

Opportunities for Young Adults



The core of the 2017 Plan

- Employment First in Michigan



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The core of the 2017 Plan



•What's new: Transitions

Across the Lifespan

- a. Post-Secondary Education
- b. Self-Directed Services
- c. Housing Options
- d. Assistive Technology (AT)
- e. Employment First in Michigan
- f. Freedom to Work (FTW)
- g. Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act
- h. Home and Community-Based Waiver Services
- i. Supported Decision Making
- j. Independent Living Support
- k. The Discovery Process



- **Creating opportunities for leadership development that meet people where they are**



- **Self-Determination**, including support for Peer Mentors and training to increase Supported Decision Making



● **Community Inclusion and Education**



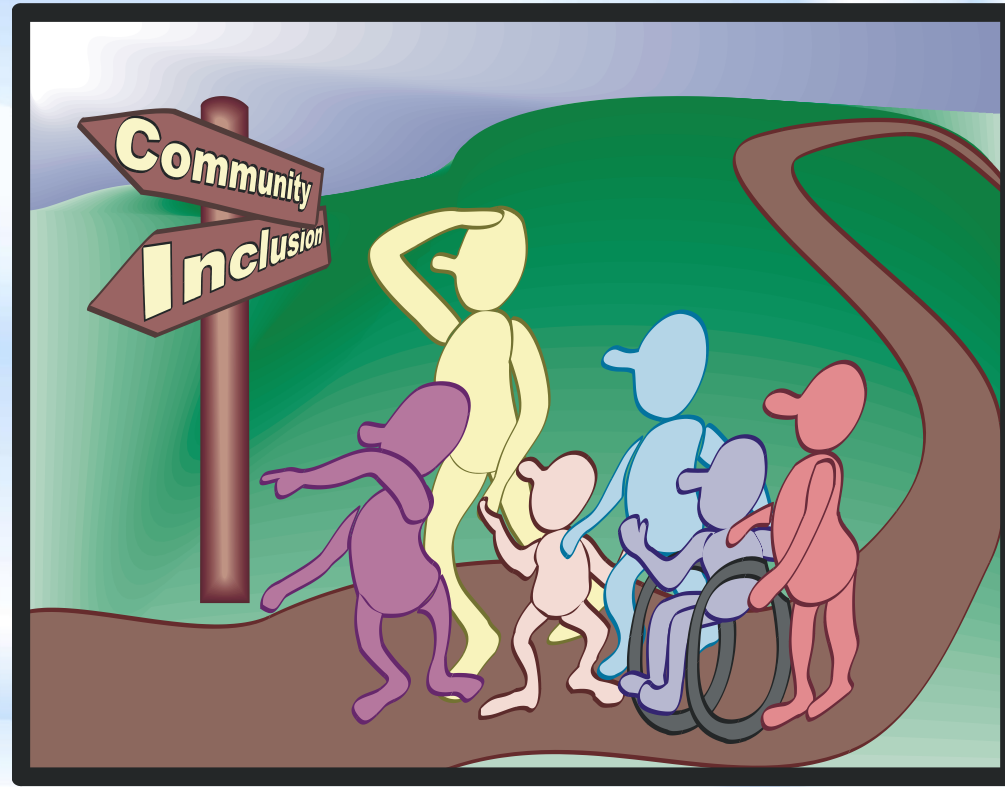
Providing
training
and technical
assistance on
community
inclusion ... for
everyone involved in
DD Council activities.

Collaboration . . .

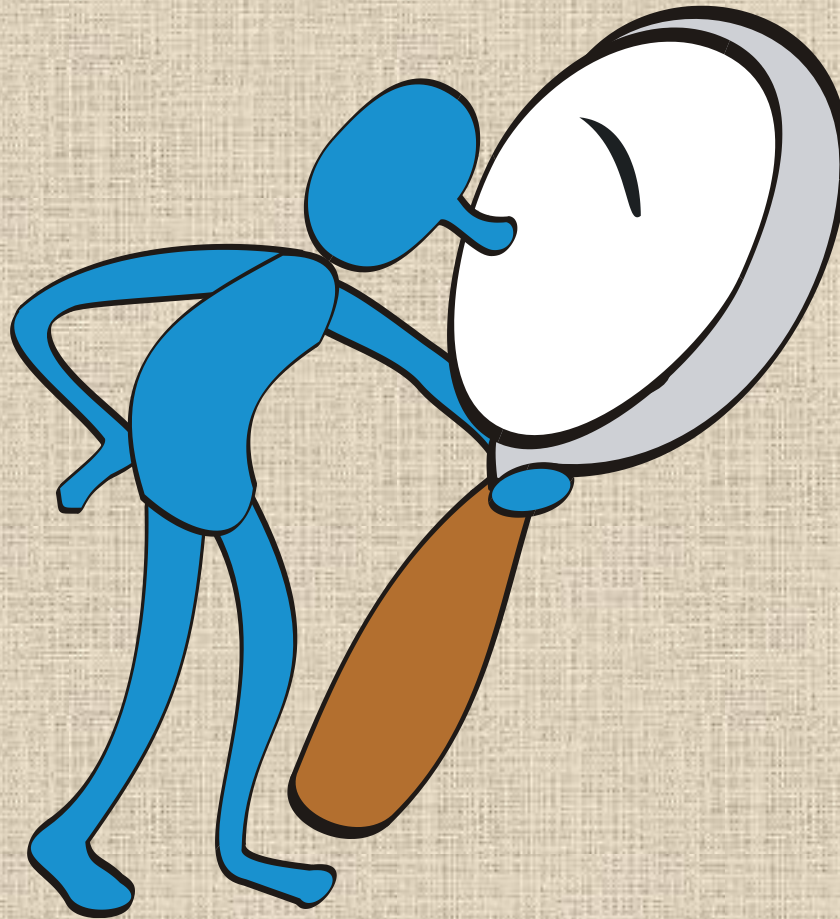


The 2017 Plan also emphasizes that its major initiatives work together to support people with DD and their families to:

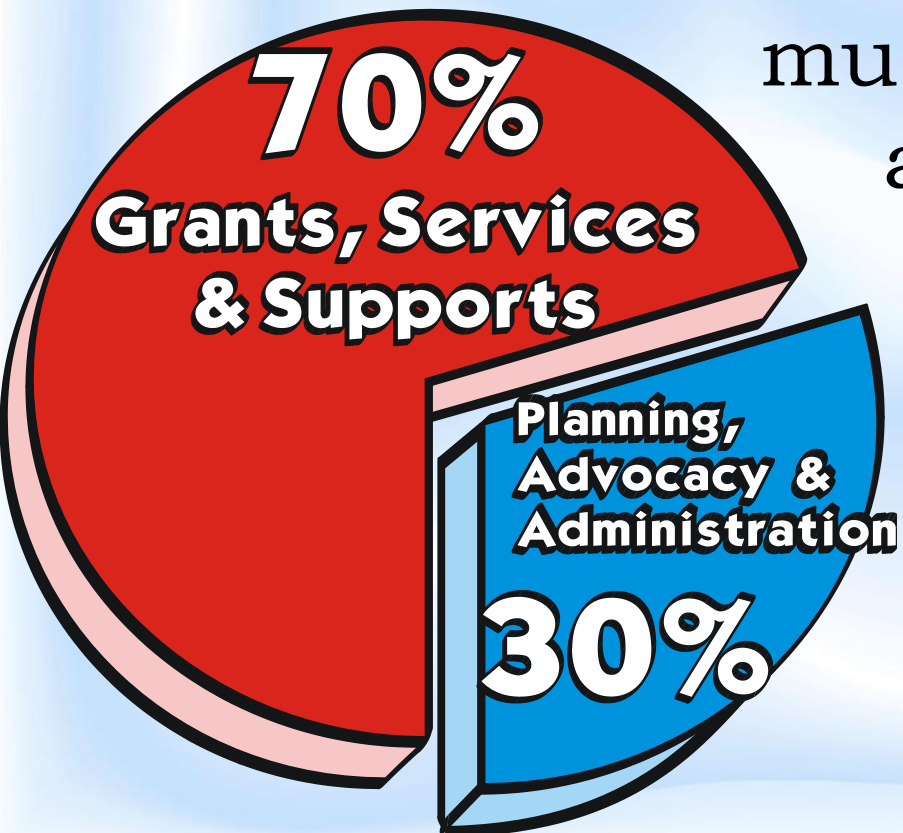
- Live self-determined lives in inclusive communities,
- Develop leadership skills,
- Advocate for themselves and others, and
- Influence public policy.



What Does the Council Do?



- **The Council administers federal funds – about \$2.5 million annually:**



- 70% of DD Council funds must be directed to grants and related activities;
- The remaining 30% pays for planning, advocacy, and administration.

The Council provides . . .



- **Information** to the governor's office and legislators on issues of concern to people with DD, and
- **A link** between legislators and the disability community --
 - A voice for 188,000 people in Michigan with DD,
 - Contacts with legislators and policy makers on behalf of people with DD.

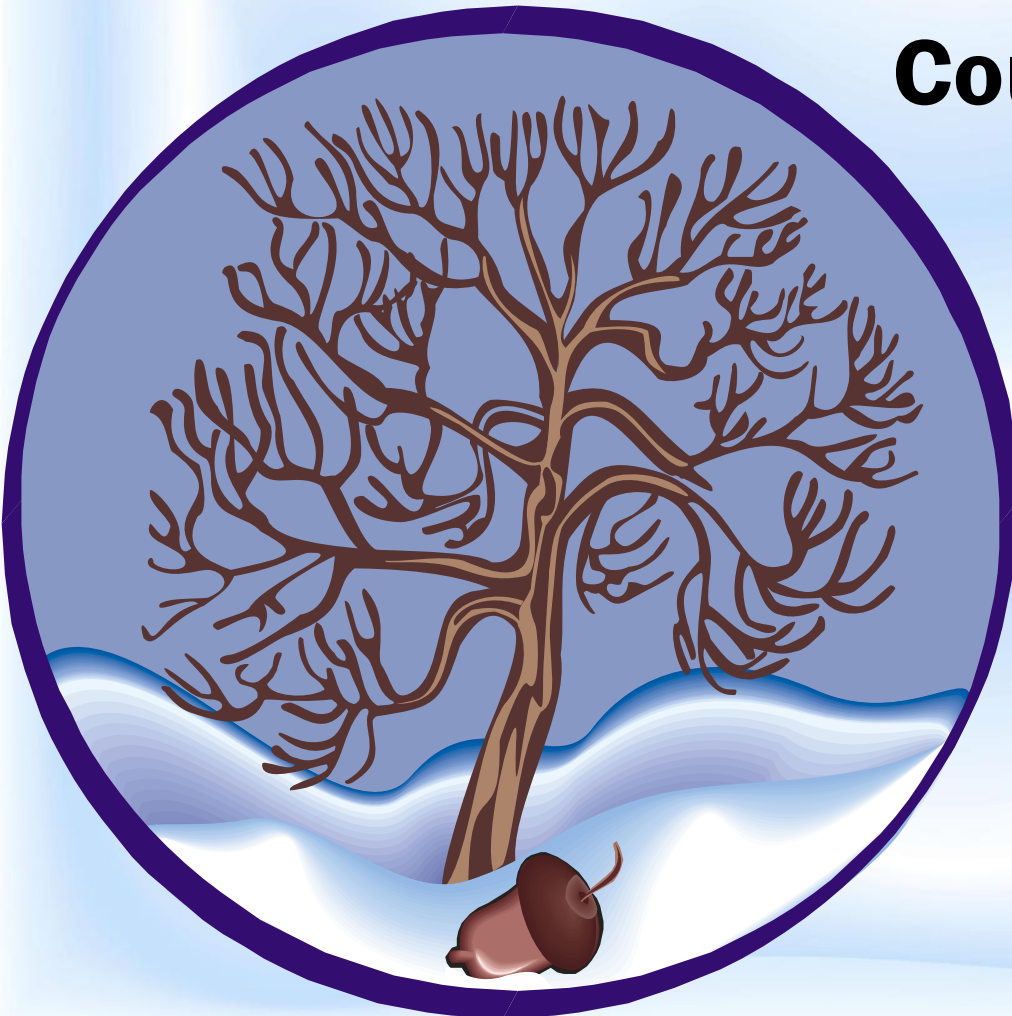


The Council's Grants Program

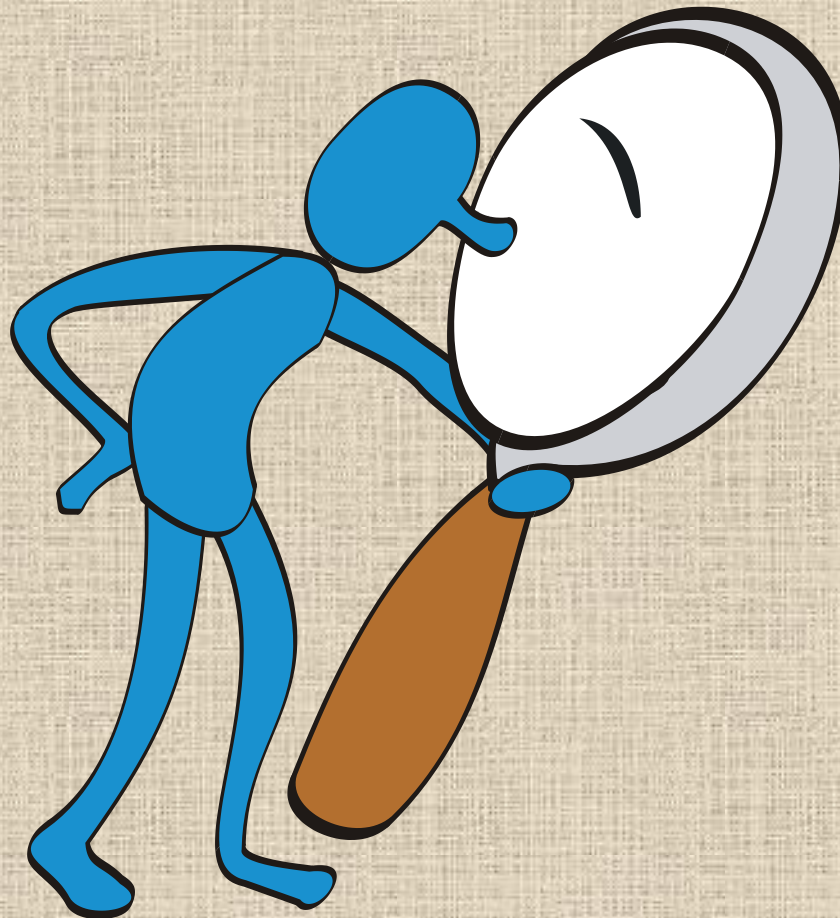


**Is to support the
Council's mission,
goals and values.**

The DD Council
funds grants to
bring systems
changes that
improve the lives
of people with DD.



How does the grants process work?



Requests for Proposals



The Council uses a Request for Proposals (RFP) process designed to:

- Bring in good proposals;
- Select the projects most likely to get the results the Council wants; and
- Assure that its limited grants funds:
 - Are distributed fairly; and
 - Do as much good as possible for people with DD.



The RFP process must:

- Be as simple as possible, to enable small agencies and consumer-run organizations to compete.



However, it must also:

- Get us the information we need to inform award decisions;
- Assure accountability to the taxpayer; and
- Meet all government requirements.

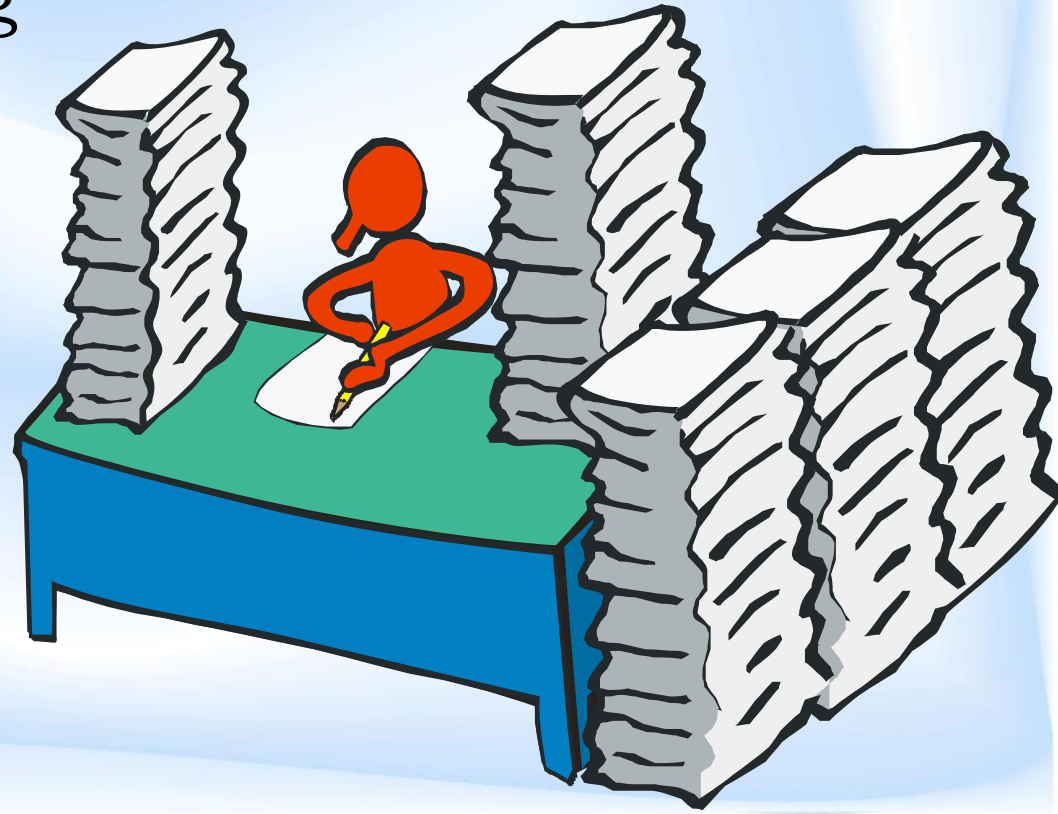


Help for Potential Bidders

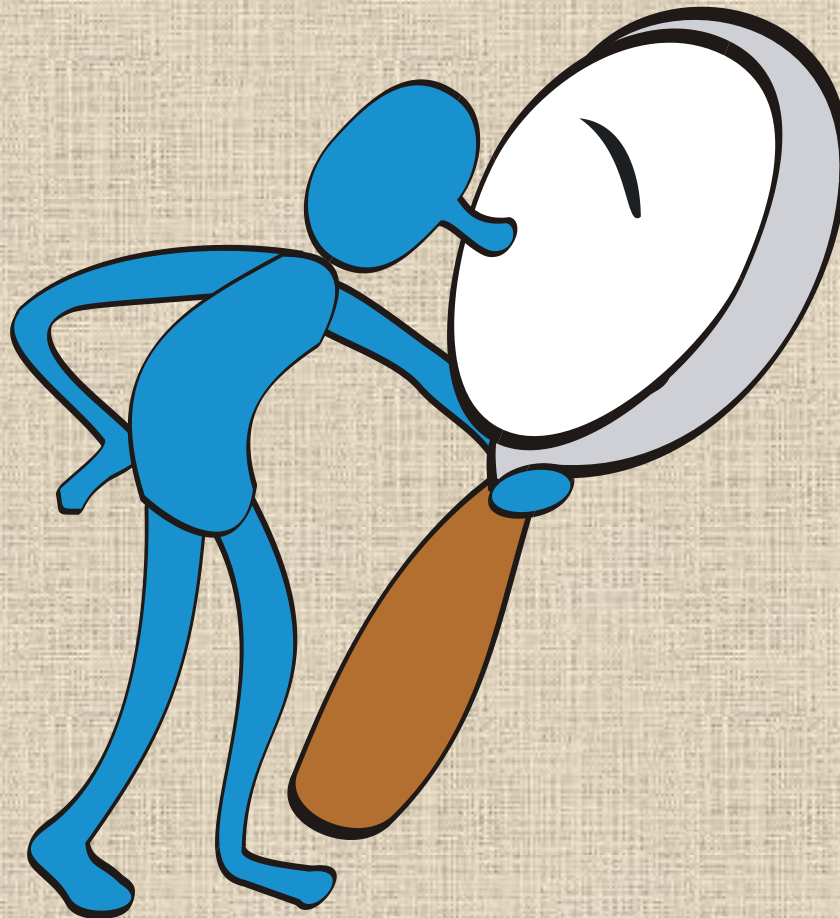


○ **Pre-Application Conferences** offer information on:

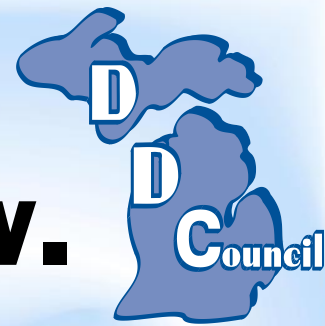
- The Council, its mission and values.
- Its grantmaking process.
- What the Council wants for this RFP.



How are award decisions made?



Award decisions are made after careful review.



A diverse group of reviewers from across the state who share the Council's values, includes subject matter experts and:

- Members of the Council and relevant workgroup;
- Consumers and family members;
- Members of minority and diverse populations.



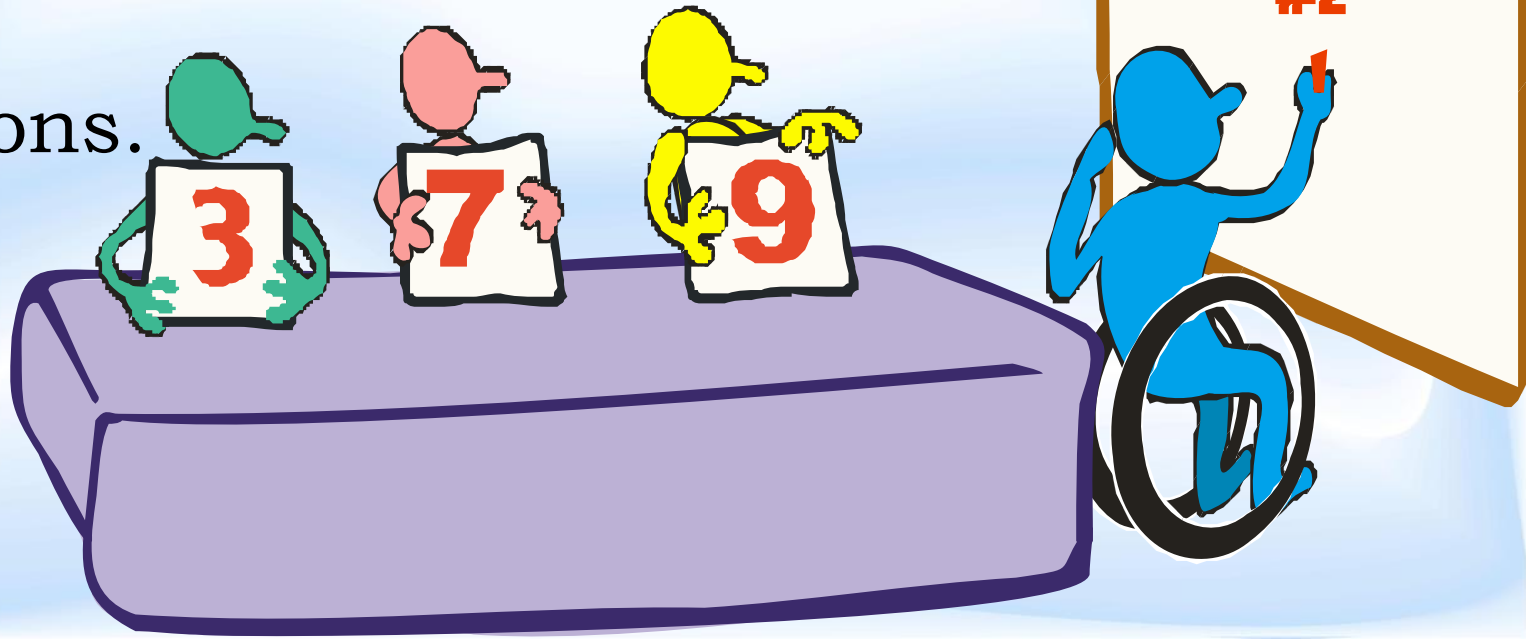
The review group assesses proposals against the Review Criteria,

which are attached to the RFP/NOFA in DD Suite.

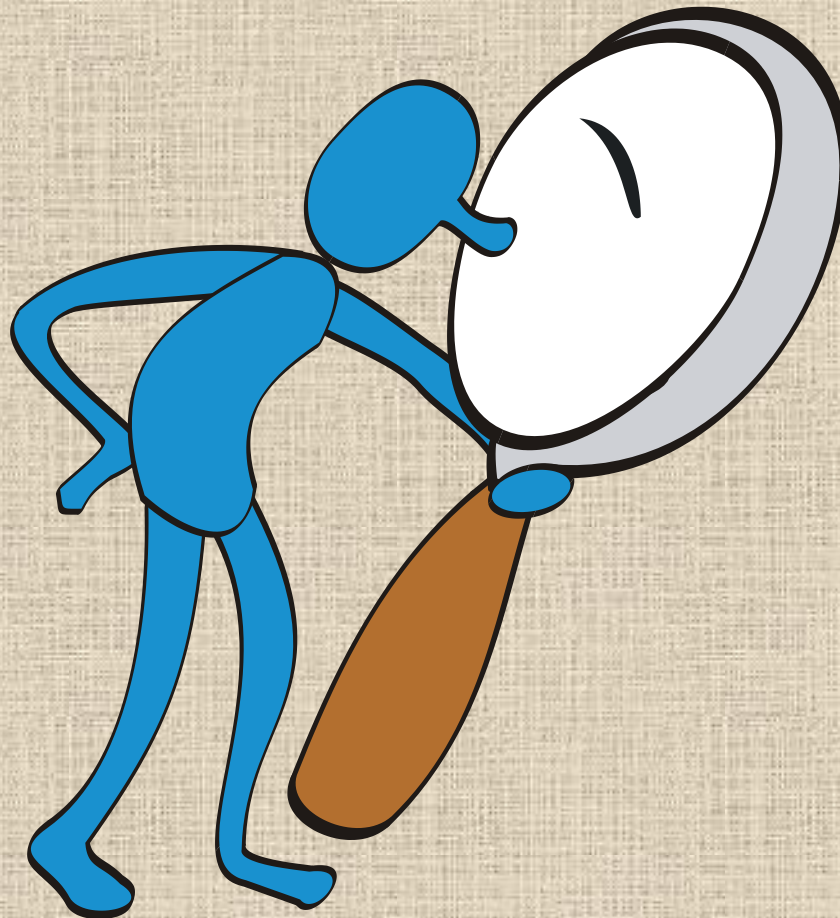


The review group meets to:

- Develop recommendations to the Council about which proposal(s) should get a grant. They also rank proposals by merit.
- The Council reviews the recommendations and makes award decisions.



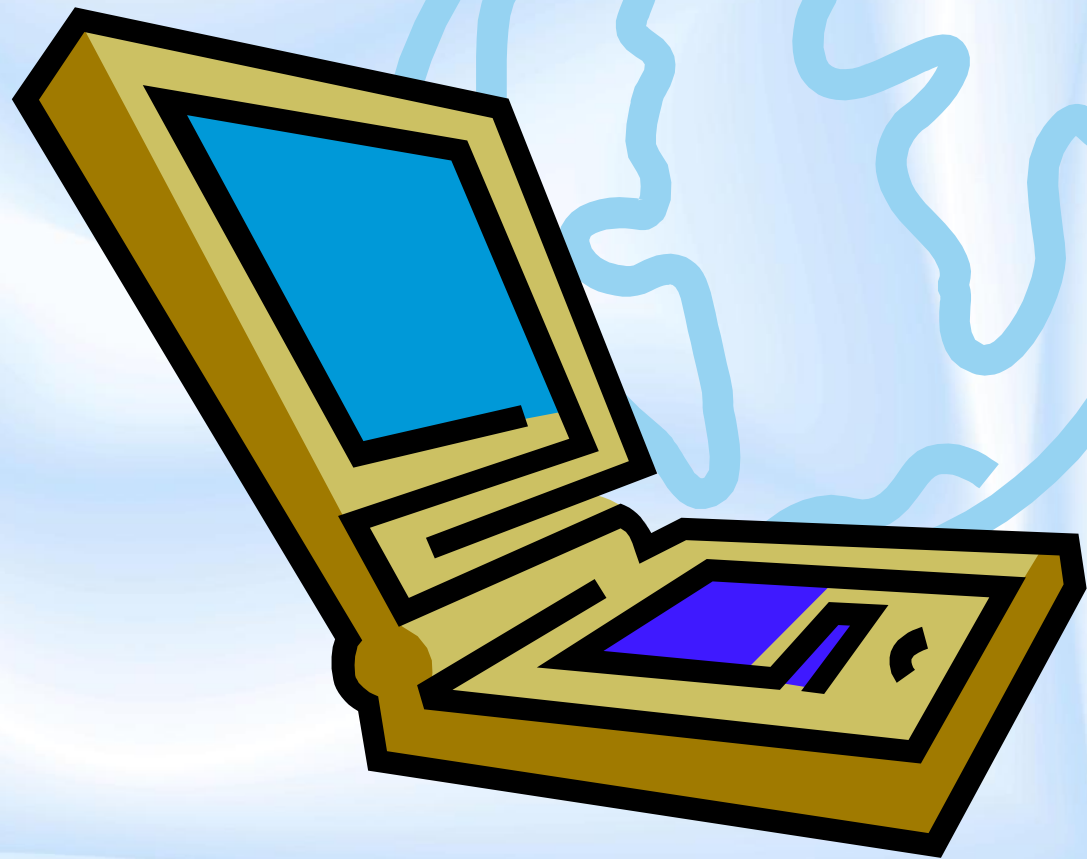
How can we apply for a DD Council grant?



On-line grant application . . .



The DD
Council is using
an on-line grant
submission
process.





Check the listings at [ddsuite.org](https://www.ddsuite.org).

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Notices of Funds Available

Contact [Councils](#) directly if notices are not appearing below.

- Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council (MI)

[DDLDO-2017](#) - Leadership Development Opportunities

Grant amount is \$ 650,000. Applications for this grant are due by November, 15 2016. This notice was posted on October, 13 2016. Contact: Yasmina Bouraoui.

[DDSDM-2017](#) - Self-Determination in Michigan

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+ Missouri Developmental Disabilities Council (MO)

+ Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council (OH)

+ Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities (TX)

Search Council State Plans & PPRs



Annual State Plans and Annual Program Performance Reports for all Developmental Disabilities Councils in the U.S. States and Territories can be viewed at

<https://www.ddsuite.org/search>.

About DD Suite

The DD Suite is a performance management and government resource planning application which is used nationwide by Developmental Disabilities Councils to collect data on implementation activities, award and administer sub grants, and generate required federal reports.

Resource Links

- [Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities \(AIDD\)](#)
- [National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities \(NACDD\)](#)
- [Information and Technical Assistance Center for Councils on Developmental Disabilities](#)

You can find --



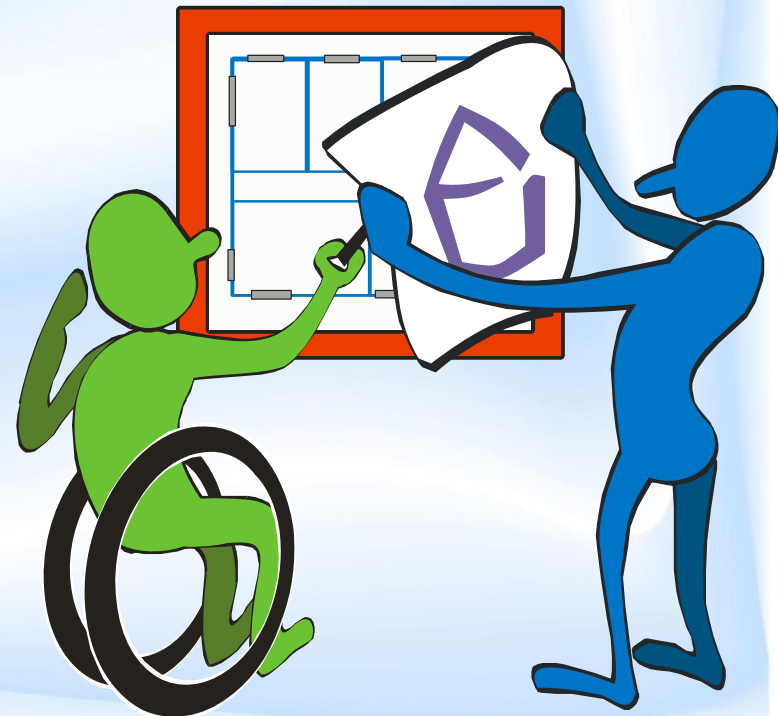
- Detailed information on current funding opportunities at: <http://ddsuite.org/>
- Site for completing your grant application at: <http://ddsuite.org/>
- An instruction manual, *Applying for a Michigan DD Council Grant* at the Council's web site: www.michigan.gov/ddcouncil > Grants > How to Apply for Grants



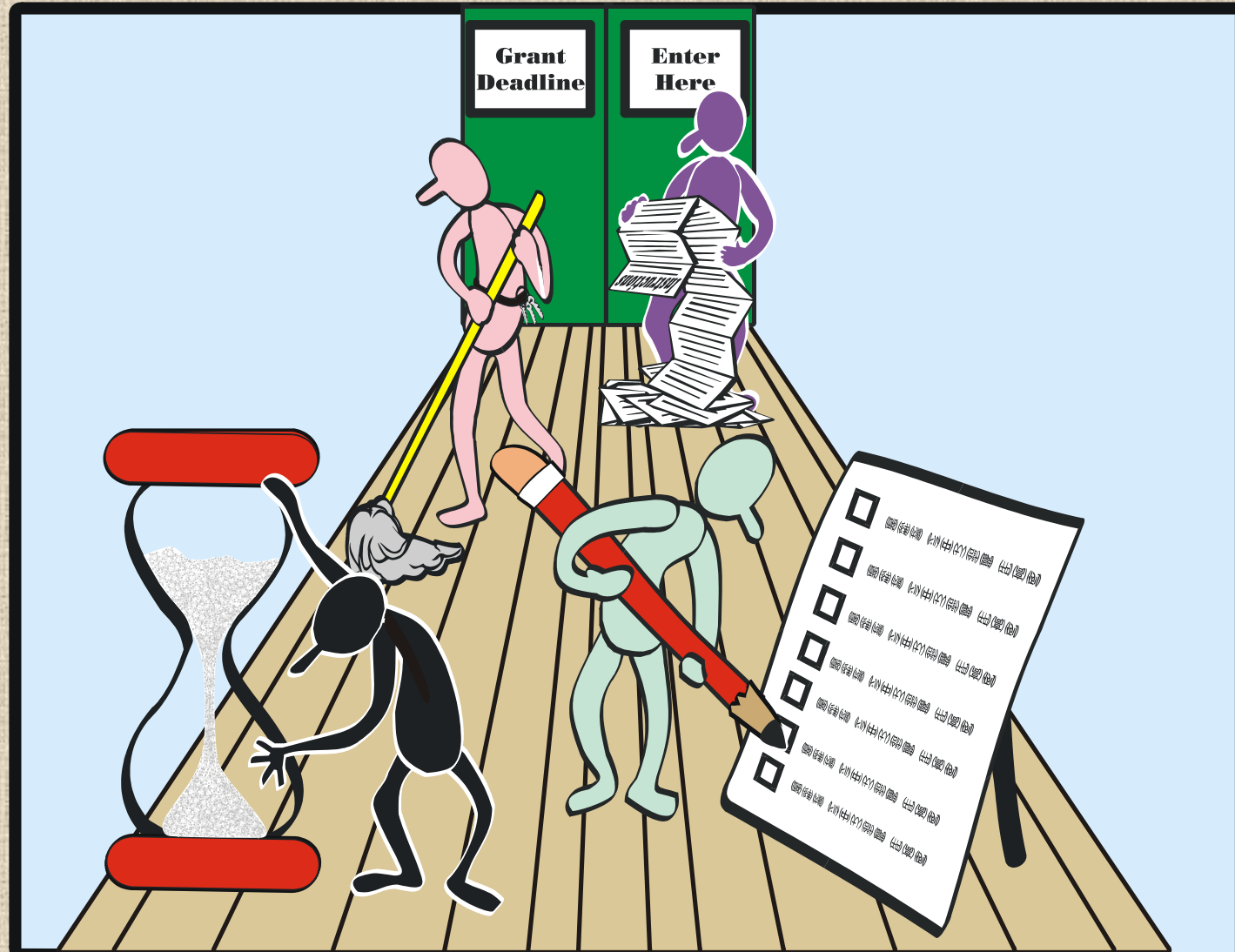
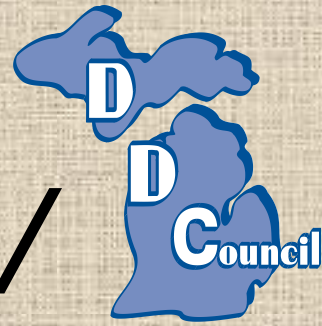
For help:



- For questions about the NOFA/RFP e-mail:
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or 517-284-7291
- For help with DD Suite:
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Now, let's look at the details of the current RFP/NOFA.



Our Community Includes Everyone



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